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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the Office Action mailed on February 27, 2002, please enter the following amendments:

### In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph on page 9, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--FIG. 5 is a flow chart showing the design and utilization flow over of the system in FIG. 4.--

Please replace the paragraph on page 12, lines 6-17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Referring now to FIG. 2, there is shown a schematic illustration of a simplified integrated circuit 200 that may be represented by virtual circuit design data stored in the layout database 195. In actual, more realistic integrated circuit designs, the integrated circuit 200 would be far more complicated. However, FIG. 2 is useful for purposes of illustration. As shown therein, the integrated circuit 200 comprises of a plurality of control regions 201, datapath regions 203, and memory 205. The various control regions 201, datapath regions 203 and memory 205 are interconnected with databuses 207